HOUSE BILL 413

By Todd

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307, relative to the unlawful carrying or possession of a weapon.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307, is amended by deleting subsection (c) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(c)

- (1) A person commits an offense who carries or possesses a firearm or explosive weapon while committing or escaping from any of the following:
 - (A) A felony committed against another person prohibited by Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13;
 - (B) A felony drug offense prohibited by Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4; and
 - (C) A burglary offense prohibited by Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections, 39-14-402, 39-14-403 or 39-14-404.
 - (2) A violation of this subsection is a Class E felony.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to any applicable offense committed on or after the effective date of this act.